

I was told by a Member of this body, who was laid to rest this year, that this was a great body to serve in. Please let me know that he was telling the truth.

HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF

(Mr. DENT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DENT. My congressional district abuts the State of New Jersey. Hundreds of thousands of people in my congressional district were without power for some time. We were very much impacted, but what I noticed most during this terrible hurricane were all the New Jersey and New York license plates in my congressional district. We were sheltering many of the evacuees who were looking for friends and family and who were just looking to go to a place where they could be comfortable.

I think it would be very wise for leadership to reconsider the decision to adjourn the House before dealing with this legislation. Frankly, I'm not yet convinced that this legislation has adequately addressed some of the concerns we have in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, but I'm willing to work with everybody to make it right. In having witnessed what happened to our friends in New Jersey and New York, I think it's imperative that we stay here and address this issue. Obviously, all of us have places we'd like to be right now, perhaps, rather than right here, but it's important. Our friends are struggling and suffering, and I think we need to get the work done.

HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF

(Mr. HOLT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HOLT. *E pluribus unum*: one out of many.

We help each other. We always have. My district and many around were badly affected by one of the largest storms, by one of the most expensive storms, by one of the worst storms in history. There are thousands of people who are not going back to their homes. They deserve our help. I wish I could speak as articulately and in such a measured manner as our leader did and as others have, but I'm afraid my anger is going to get the better of me.

Some weeks ago, someone said to me, You know, you're not going to get help from the House of Representatives because these are blue States. They voted for a Democrat for President.

Now, I would like to think—and Mr. KING and Mr. LOBIONDO and Mr. SMITH and Governor Christie would like to think—that this is not a partisan matter, but I have to wonder what could be going on here. Why would we not help each other as this House has always done?

PERSONAL REFLECTION AND WISDOM FOR INCOMING CONGRESS

(Mr. BILBRAY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BILBRAY. I apologize to my colleagues for changing the subject for a moment, but this will be the last chance I'll be able to address the House.

Six and a half years ago, I had the privilege of coming to the House and standing here after a special election. I'd like to paraphrase, basically, what I said then: I come from the 50th District of California—a classic coastal community. After having been out of the Congress for 5 years, they returned me here to the House as the 50th District, it being that classic environmental community, recycled Congressmen when it came to my election. I would just ask that both sides understand what a great privilege it is to represent the 50th.

In leaving, I just want to say one thing: I hear that one of the major issues you're going to address when this new Congress comes in is the issue of immigration, and those of us in California understand that. The one place that Democrats and Republicans should be able to agree on, especially with the budget crisis, is: When are we going to stop the practice of people who are committing a crime by employing illegal immigrants?

Take the tax deduction away, and require that if a business wants to claim a business deduction for employing somebody that we make sure those employees are legal—just by requiring E-Verify.

Again, Mr. Speaker, I am going to miss a lot of faces around here in Washington, but as a San Diegan, let me assure you that I will not miss the weather.

God bless and thank you.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 31, 2012, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 6587. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 Simi Village Drive in Simi Valley, California, as the "Postal Inspector Terry Asbury Post Office Building"

H.R. 6379. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6239 Savannah Highway in Ravenel, South Carolina, as the "Representative Curtis B. Inabinett, Sr. Post Office"

H.R. 3892. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the "Lance Corporal Victor A. Dew Post Office"

H.R. 3869. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the "Sidney 'Sid' Sanders McMath Post Office Building"

H.R. 2338. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600

Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office"

H.R. 6260. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 211 Hope Street in Mountain View, California, as the "Lieutenant Kenneth M. Ballard Memorial Post Office"

H.R. 4389. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19 East Merced Street in Fowler, California, as the "Cecil E. Bolt Post Office"

H.R. 1339. To designate the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.

H.R. 5859. To repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting

H.R. 1845. To provide a demonstration project providing Medicare coverage for in-home administration of intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) and to amend the title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims

H.R. 4053. To intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending

H.R. 6671. To amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, January 2, 2013, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

9000. A letter from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Home Mortgage Disclosure (Regulation C): Adjustment To Asset-Size Exemption Threshold [Docket No.: CFPB-2012-0049] received December 31, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

9001. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 35 [Docket No.: 1206013412-2517-02] (RIN: 0648-BB97) received December 20, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

9002. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Snapper-Group Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Snowy Grouper [Docket No.: 0907271173-0629-03] (RIN: 0648-XC380) received December 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

9003. A letter from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final